

usual round million pounds. But the prospectus has not appeared and instead, A. J. White, Limited, proprietors of Mother Seigel's Syrup, etc., has taken the field first, with the same round sum as capital. The business was only established in London in 1877, and the last four years have shown an average net profit of about \$450,000 per annum. The extension of the business amongst the English colonies and India has been an enormous benefit to the company, for in no other places are these patent medicines consumed in such quantities and the profits cut extremely fine.

The introduction of agencies to bicycle manufacturers is a new feature of the extension of the "profitable extra." Many British pharmacists have, however, for some time past catered for the small wants of the ever growing bicycle fraternity, and these include repairs for the muscles of the cyclist and repairing outfits for the punctured tire. The former is best composed of a diluted lanoline and witch hazel jelly, that is rapidly absorbed in the skin by friction, and leaves a cool and soothing sensation afterwards. The outfit chiefly consists of a little sheet of rubber tissue and a solution of rubber in benzene or carbon disulphide supplied in a collapsible tube. It is as well that the chemist should make a prominent display of these requisites now and again, and the introduction of the ubiquitous bicycle into the window would doubtless fill the bill. I must confess that I have not noticed it yet in any English pharmacy, but already the tailors are finding good business in it.

Buffalo Bug Destroyer.

A reader—H.W.T.—asks for a formula for this preparation. It is as follows:

Spts. turpentine.....4 parts.
Benzine.....8 parts.
Moth camphor..... $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ or to 1 pint.
Coal oil.....4 parts.
Alanet root.....Sufficient to color.

Directions—Spray well the edge of the carpet with the compound, closing the room securely, if possible. When impossible to do this, soak some porous paper, such as blotting or filter paper or old rags or cloth, with the mixture, placing it under the carpet; the vapor arising permeates the carpet, destroying both the moth and the eggs. All beetles should be killed when discovered.

The bottle requires to be continually shaken, as the mixture separates rapidly, and especial care must be taken to avoid contact with fire or lights.

CITRUREA is the name given by Radlauer (*Pharm. Centralh.*) to tablets composed of urea and lithium bromide, with a very small proportion citric acid.

BORALID is a mixture of equal parts of acetanilid and boric acid (*Pharm. Zeit.*) which has been recommended for use in the treatment of eczema, etc.

Trade Notes.

A. Eby has sold his drug business at Sebringville, Ont.

Albert Boyce has opened a drug store at Sydenham, Ont.

William Watson has opened a new drug store at Hintonburg, Ont.

John R. Byers has purchased the drug business of F. J. Capell, Oakville, Ont.

J. A. McGuire has purchased the drug business of J. Carscallen, Morris, Man.

Mr. Snider has purchased the drug business of W. M. Woodburn, Ottawa, Ont.

James B. Ditman, manufacturer of patent medicines, Clementsvalle, N.S., is dead.

F. Dowling, formerly of Sydenham, Ont., has opened a new drug store in Belleville, Ont.

C. A. Nettleton, of Penetanguishene, has purchased the drug business of G. F. Proctor, Midland, Ont.

The drug stock of R. C. Houston, corner Queen and Elizabeth streets, Toronto, has been sold by the bailiff.

The drug store of R. Stewart, Norwood, Ont., was destroyed by fire April 20th. The most of the stock was removed.

The firm of A. G. Peuchen Co., manufacturers of acetic acid, Paris green, etc., has been dissolved. Mr. Peuchen continues the business.

T. E. Huot has purchased the drug business of T. E. Barbeau, St. Catherine street, Montreal, the latter opening a new store on St. James street.

G. W. Pettingill, druggist; C. H. Black, stationer; and The Martin & Lamont Co., Ltd., druggists and stationers, all of Regina, Assinibora, are amalgamating.

Dr. W. E. Hamill has returned from Montreal where he was instructing a class in Optics for the Optical Institute of Canada, and reports a pleasant trip and interesting class.

George C. Briggs, Hamilton, Ont., one of the oldest wholesale druggists and proprietary medicine manufacturers of Canada, died April 23rd. Deceased was seventy years old at the time of his death, and was head of the firm of G. C. Briggs & Son.

H. Watters has moved into his new and handsome drug store, No. 197 Sparks street, Ottawa, Ont., nearly opposite his old stand. The new store is thoroughly modern in design and appointments, and a credit to the proprietor and to the capital city.

Montreal Notes.

Mr. Woolley, it is reported, has purchased the business lately carried on by Mr. P. O. Giroux, Notre Dame street. Mr. Woolley is a Licentiate of the Pharmaceutical Association, and was lately employed in a pharmacy on St. Catherine street.

British Columbia Notes.

Business is quiet. Vancouver and Victoria have got to wait their time apparently. There are lots of men waiting in these cities for the melting of the snow on the mountains and then will follow the rush for gold. It is to be hoped that success will attend this summer's work, for the province is in great need of it. When there is such universal talk of hard times it is somewhat encouraging to meet a citizen who has travelled the Coast as far as Frisco, and yet is able to report "Victoria the best yet."

The examinations for apprentices, clerks, and licentiates were held in Vancouver on the 15th and 16th of April. The result has not yet been published.

Nominations for three councillors are called for by the secretary, John K. Sutherland. Messrs J. R. Seymour, Vancouver; Thos. Shotbolt, Victoria, and E. McG. Van Houten, Nanaimo, are the retiring councillors, while Messrs. T. E. Atkins, Vancouver; E. H. Hiscocks, Victoria; and R. G. McPherson, Kamloops, will hold office for one more year. There are twenty three licentiates of pharmacy eligible for nomination as councillors in Victoria, 18 in Vancouver, 4 in New Westminster, 5 in Nanaimo, 2 in Kamloops, 1 each in Kaslo, Nelson, and Vernon, and 2 each in Rossland and Wellington.

The amendment to the Poison Act, introduced by Mr. Kennedy in the Legislature, did not pass the second reading. Dr. Walkem, Nanaimo, spoke directly against the bill, as did several others. The object was to make the use of blue poison bottles, with sharp spikes on exterior, compulsory, as will be seen on reference to April CANADIAN DRUGGIST.

I would like to ask your readers what is their experience with tinctura arnicae P.B.? Any cases of eczematous inflammation arising from the use of the P.B. tincture? When tincture of arnica is called for which is generally supplied, P.B. or U.S.P.? We have had cases of the inflammation aforesaid, and would like to know.

Manitoba Notes.

The Council for the Pharmaceutical Association of Manitoba held its spring meeting on Friday, 7th inst., at the Clarendon Hotel, Winnipeg, for the purpose of considering the report of examiners for the spring examinations, concluded some few days ago. A full report of the examinations and meeting of the Council will appear in the next issue of THE CANADIAN DRUGGIST.

Mr. Will R. Bartlett, druggist, Brandon, was in Winnipeg attending the meeting of the Council.

Mr. W. R. Austin, late of Toronto, has bought out the branch store of W. R. Inman & Co., Higgins street, Winnipeg.

Mr. R. J. McKee, of the Dodds Medicine Co., of Toronto, who has been travel-